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California Water Plan Update 2013 Draft Assumptions and Estimates Report

SACRAMENTO -- The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has released a draft of the Assumptions and Estimates (A&E) Report for the California Water Plan Update 2013. This report, which consists of a brochure and companion web page, describes significant data, methods, and references that DWR plans to use to prepare the update. Several key technical components of Update 2013 are described in the brochure with web links to the assumptions and estimates that are being used to develop them. The Draft A&E brochure and companion web page are online at <http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/cwpu2013/ae/>

California Water Code Section 10004.6 requires DWR to release a preliminary draft of the assumptions and other estimates upon which the California Water Plan will be based, to interested persons and entities throughout the state for their review and comments. DWR is required to provide an opportunity to comment on the assumptions and estimates and will consider these comments when adopting the final assumptions and estimates for Update 2013.

The Draft A&E Report includes the following categories of information required by the Water Code and much more:

- Basin hydrology
- Current and projected water use
- Groundwater supplies
- Evapotranspiration rates for major crops
- Current and projected water supplies provided by water recycling and reuse
- Current and projected adoption of urban and agricultural water conservation

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- Environmental water needs
- Current and projected land use patterns
- Current and projected population

DWR would like your comments on the Draft A&E Report by July 31, 2012 to improve the data and information that go into Update 2013. Please send email comments to Rich Juricich at cwpcor@water.ca.gov or by mail to:

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